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In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: 2665

JEFFREY et al.

Examiner: Molinari, Michael J.

Application No. 09/459,670

Filed: December 13, 1999

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
COMMUNICATING WITH A
VIRTUAL CIRCUIT NETWORK

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AMENDMENT A

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-18 (canceled)

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Claim 19 (new): A method of communicating between a first device on a local area network and a second device on a virtual circuit network via a host computer communicatively linked to the first device and the second device, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a request from the first device for virtual circuit connection with the second device;

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment A made in response to the Office action dated January 29, 2003 in the subject application.

☐ Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Petition for Extension of Time

- ☒ Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$410.00 (enclosed).
☐ Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

☐ No additional claim fee is required.

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☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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